


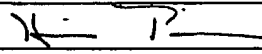
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<i>JP</i>	1.	519,928	05/15/94	E.L. Schanck			
	2.	1,065,935	07/01/13	J.F. Gail			
	3.	2,127,903	08/23/38	Bowen			
	4.	2,437,542	5/4/44	Krippendorf			
	5.	2,845,959	08/05/58	Sidebotham			
	6.	2,990,605	07/04/61	Demsky			
	7.	3,029,819	04/17/62	Starks			
	8.	3,096,560	07/09/63	Liebig			
	9.	3,805,301	04/23/74	Liebig			
	10.	4,497,074	02/05/85	Rey, et al.			
	11.	4,501,263	02/26/85	Harbuck			
	12.	4,503,568	03/12/85	Madras			
	13.	4,592,754	06/03/86	Gupte, et al.			
	14.	4,617,932	10/21/86	Kornberg			
	15.	4,816,028	03/28/89	Kapadia, et al.			
	16.	4,840,940	06/20/89	Sottiurai			
	17.	4,856,516	08/15/89	Hillstead			
	18.	4,878,906	11/07/89	Lindemann, et al.			
	19.	4,907,336	03/13/90	Gianturco			
	20.	4,922,905	05/08/90	Strecker			
	21.	4,981,478	1/1/91	Evard et al.			
	22.	4,994,071	02/19/91	MacGregor			
	23.	5,019,090	05/28/91	Pinchuk			
	24.	5,064,435	11/12/91	Porter			
	25.	5,078,726	01/07/92	Kreamer			
	26.	5,104,399	04/14/92	Lazarus			

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	28.	5,123,917	06/23/92	Lee			
	29.	5,133,732	07/28/92	Wiktor			
	30.	5,135,536	08/04/92	Hillstead			
	31.	5,156,619	10/20/92	Ehrenfeld			
	32.	5,178,634	01/12/93	Martinez			
	33.	5,197,976	03/30/93	Herweck, et al.			
	34.	5,201,757	4/13/93	Heyn et al.			
	35.	5,256,141	10/26/93	Gencheff, et al.			
	36.	5,275,622	01/04/94	Lazarus, et al.			
	37.	5,282,824	02/01/94	Gianturco			
	38.	5,304,200	04/29/94	Spaulding			
	39.	5,314,444	05/24/94	Gianturco			
	40.	5,314,472	05/24/94	Fontaine			
	41.	5,316,023	05/31/94	Palmaz, et al.			
	42.	5,320,602	06/14/94	Karpiel			
	43.	5,330,500	07/19/94	Song			
	44.	5,342,387	08/30/94	Summers			
	45.	5,354,308	10/11/94	Simon et al.			
	46.	5,360,443	11/01/94	Barone, et al.			
	47.	5,366,504	11/22/94	Andersen, et al.			
	48.	5,370,683	12/06/94	Fontaine			
	49.	5,387,235	02/07/95	Chuter			
	50.	5,397,355	03/14/95	Marin et al.			
	51.	5,405,377	04/11/95	Cragg			
	52.	5,423,886	06/13/95	Arru, et al.			

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	54.	5,443,498	08/22/95	Fontaine			
	55.	5,443,500	08/22/95	Sigwart			
	56.	5,456,713	10/10/95	Chuter			
	57.	5,458,615	10/17/95	Klemm et al.			
	58.	5,462,530	10/31/95	Jang			
	59.	5,464,560	11/07/97	Buscemi et al.			
	60.	5,484,444	1/16/96	Braunschweiler et al			
	61.	5,489,295	02/06/96	Piplani, et al.			
	62.	5,496,365	03/05/96	Sgro			
	63.	5,507,767	04/16/96	Maeda, et al.			
	64.	5,507,771	04/16/96	Gianturco			
	65.	5,522,880	06/04/96	Barone, et al.			
	66.	5,522,881	06/04/96	Lentz			
	67.	5,522,883	06/04/96	Slater, et al.			
	68.	5,545,211	08/13/96	An et al.			
	69.	5,554,118	09/10/96	Jang			
	70.	5,554,181	09/10/96	Das			
	71.	5,562,726	10/08/96	Chuter			
	72.	5,562,728	10/08/96	Lazarus et al.			
	73.	5,571,173	11/05/96	Parodi			
	74.	5,575,816	11/19/96	Rudnick et al.			
	75.	5,575,818	11/19/96	Pinchuk			
	76.	5,578,072	11/26/96	Barone, et al.			
	77.	5,591,197	01/07/97	Orth et al.			
	78.	5,591,198	01/07/97	Boyle et al.			

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SP	79.	5,591,229	01/07/97	Parodi			
	80.	5,591,230	01/07/97	Horn et al.			
	81.	5,593,417	01/14/97	Rhodes			
	82.	5,604,435	11/12/91	Porter			
	83.	5,607,445	03/04/97	Summers			
	84.	5,609,625	03/11/97	Piplani, et al.			
	85.	5,609,627	03/11/97	Goicoechea, et al.			
	86.	5,609,628	03/11/97	Keranen			
	87.	5,628,783	05/13/97	Quiachonet al.			
	88.	5,628,788	05/13/97	Pinchuk			
	89.	5,630,829	05/20/97	Lauterjung			
	90.	5,632,772	05/27/97	Alcime, et al.			
	91.	5,639,278	06/17/97	Dereume et al.			
	92.	5,641,373	06/24/97	Shannon et al.			
	93.	5,643,339	07/01/97	Kavteladze, et al.			
	94.	5,647,857	07/15/97	Anderson, et al.			
	95.	5,653,727	08/05/97	Wiktor			
	96.	5,653,743	08/05/97	Martin			
	97.	5,653,746	08/05/97	Schmitt			
	98.	5,653,747	08/05/97	Dereume			
	99.	5,662,614	09/02/97	Edoga			
	100.	5,662,700	09/02/97	Lazarus			
	101.	5,662,702	09/02/97	Keranen			
	102.	5,662,703	09/02/97	Yurek et al.			
	103.	5,662,728	10/08/96	Lazarus, et al.			
	104.	5,665,115	09/09/97	Cragg			

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X	105.	5,665,117	09/09/97	Rhodes			
	106.	5,669,880	09/23/97	Solar			
	107.	5,669,924	09/23/97	Shaknovich			
	108.	5,674,241	10/07/97	Bley et al.			
	109.	5,674,276	10/07/97	Andersen et al.			
	110.	5,676,696	10/14/97	Marcade			
	111.	5,676,697	10/14/97	McDonald			
	112.	5,679,400	10/21/97	Tuch			
	113.	5,681,346	10/28/97	Orth et al.			
	114.	5,683,448	11/04/97	Cragg			
	115.	5,683,449	11/04/97	Marcade			
	116.	5,683,450	11/04/97	Goicoechea et al.			
	117.	5,683,451	11/04/97	Lenker et al.			
	118.	5,683,452	11/04/97	Barone et al.			
	119.	5,683,453	11/04/97	Palmaz			
	120.	5,690,644	11/25/97	Yurek et al.			
	121.	5,693,066	12/02/97	Rupp et al.			
	122.	5,693,084	12/02/97	Chuter			
	123.	5,693,086	12/02/97	Goicoechea et al.			
	124.	5,693,087	12/02/97	Parodi			
	125.	5,693,088	12/02/97	Lazarus			
	126.	5,695,516	12/09/97	Fischell et al.			
	127.	5,695,517	12/09/97	Marin et al.			
	128.	5,697,948	12/16/97	Marin et al.			
	129.	5,716,365	02/10/98	Goicoechea et al.			
	130.	5,716,393	02/10/98	Lindenberg et al.			

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	132.	5,718,973	02/17/98	Lewis et al.			
	133.	5,720,776	02/24/98	Chuter et al.			
	134.	5,723,004	03/03/98	Dereume et al.			
	135.	5,733,325	03/31/98	Robinson et al.			
	136.	5,746,766	05/05/98	Edoga			
	137.	5,749,880	05/12/98	Banas et al.			
	138.	5,755,770	05/26/98	Ravenscroft			
	139.	5,755,771	05/26/98	Penn, et al.			
	140.	5,769,885	06/23/98	Quiachon et al.			
	141.	5,769,887	06/23/98	Brown et al.			
	142.	5,782,909	07/21/98	Quiachon et al.			
	143.	5,800,456	09/1998	Maeda et al.			
	144.	5,800,508	09/01/98	Goicochea et al.			
	145.	5,810,836	09/22/98	Hussein et al.			
	146.	5,824,037	10/20/98	Fogarty et al.			
	147.	5,824,039	10/1998	Piplani et al.			
	148.	5,824,053	10/20/98	Khosravi et al.			
	149.	5,843,160	12/01/98	Rhodes			
	150.	5,843,164	12/01/98	Frantzen et al.			
	151.	5,843,167	12/01/98	Dwyer et al.			
	152.	5,851,228	12/22/98	Pinheiro			
	153.	5,855,599	01/05/99	Wan			
	154.	5,860,998	01/19/99	Robinson et al.			
	155.	5,868,783	02/09/99	tower			
	156.	5,879,321	03/1999	Hill			
	157.	5,879,366	03/1999	Shau et al.			

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<u>K</u>	158.	5,891,193	04/06/99	Robinson et al.			
	159.	5,893,887	04/13/99	Jayaraman			
	160.	5,902,334	05/11/99	Dwyer et al.			
	161.	5,906,640	05/25/99	Penn et al.			
	162.	5,916,263	06/29/99	Goicoechea et al.			
	163.	5,919,225	07/06/99	Lau et al.			
	164.	5,925,075	07/20/99	Myers et al.			
	165.	5,928,279	07/27/99	Shannon et al.			
	166.	5,935,161	08/10/99	Robinson et al.			
	167.	5,938,696	08/17/99	Goicoechea et al.			
	168.	5,948,018	09/97/99	Dereume et al.			
	169.	5,957,973	09/28/99	Quiachon et al.			
	170.	5,961,546	10/05/99	Robinson et al.			
	171.	5,961,548	10/1999	Shmulewitz			
	172.	6,004,347	12/21/99	McNamara et al.			
	173.	6,004,348	12/21/99	Banas et al.			
	174.	6,017,363	01/2000	Hojeibane			
	175.	6,027,779	02/22/00	Campbell et al.			
	176.	6,027,811	02/22/00	Campbell et al.			
	177.	6,030,415	02/29/00	Chuter			
	178.	6,039,749	03/21/00	Marin et al.			
	179.	6,039,755	03/21/00	Edwin et al.			
	180.	6,051,020	04/18/00	Goicoechea et al.			
	181.	6,070,589	06/06/00	Keith et al.			
	182.	6,074,398	06/13/00	Leschinsky			
	183.	6,077,296	06/2000	Shokooji et al.			
	184.	6,077,297	06/20/00	Robinson et al.			

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	186.	6,117,167	09/12/00	Goicocchea et al.			
	187.	6,123,722	09/26/00	Fogarty et al.			
	188.	6,123,723	09/26/00	Konya et al.			
	189.	6,126,685	10/03/00	Lenker et al.			
	190.	6,129,756	10/10/00	Kugler et al.			
	191.	6,168,610	01/02/01	Marin et al.			
	192.	6,183,481	02/06/01	Lee et al.			
	193.	6,187,036	02/13/01	Shaolian et al.			
	194.	6,192,944	02/27/01	Greenhalgh			
	195.	6,203,735	03/20/01	Edwin et al.			
	196.	6,273,909	08/14/01	Kugler et al.			
	197.	6,280,466	08/28/01	Kugler et al.			
	198.	6,280,467	08/28/01	Leonhardt			
	199.	6,283,991	09/04/01	Cox et al.			
	200.	6,533,811	03/18/03	Ryan et al.			
	201.	2003/0065380 A1	04/03/03	Kugler et al.			
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	205.	0 621 015 A1	10/26/94	Europe				
	206.	0 659 389 A1	06/28/95	Europe				
	207.	0 740 928 A2	11/06/96	Europe				

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	209.	0 775 470 A1	05/28/97	Europe				
	210.	0 904 745 A2	03/31/99	Europe				
	211.	WO 93/13825	07/22/93	PCT				
	212.	WO 94/24961	02/01/94	PCT				
	213.	Wo 95/21592	02/06/95	PCT				
	214.	WO 96/41589	12/27/96	PCT				
	215.	WO 97/10757	93/27/97	PCT				
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	222.	WO 99/47077	09/23/99	PCT				
	223.	WO 99/58084	11/18/99	PCT				
	224.	EP 282 175 B1	11/27/91	Europe				
	225.	EP 323 176 B1	03/23/94	Europe				
	226.	EP 458 568 A1	05/20/91	Europe				
	227.	EP 596 145 A1	10/31/92	Europe				
	228.	EP 621 015 A1	04/23/93	Europe				
	229.	EP 659 389 A1	06/28/95	Europe				
	230.	EP 689 806 A2	01/03/96	Europe				
	231.	EP 712 614 A1	05/22/96	Europe				
	232.	EP 732 088 A3	09/18/96	Europe				
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